

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

NOTICE OF FILING BRIEFS ON THRESHOLD ISSUES AND NOTICE OF PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

DOCKET: 98-00559

IN RE: PROCEEDING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING
COMPETITIVE EFFECTS OF CONTRACT SERVICE
ARRANGEMENTS FILED BY BELL SOUTH
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. IN TENNESSEE

DATE: June 8, 1999

Pursuant to the action of the Directors of the Authority at the Authority Conference held on June 8, 1999, the parties are hereby directed to file briefs by the close of business on June 15, 1999, addressing the following threshold issues:

1. The burden of proof in this docket
2. The nature of relief available
 - a. Whether that relief should be only prospective
 - b. Whether that relief will apply to BellSouth and its affiliates and assigns
3. Whether proceeding with this docket as a contested case is consistent with the Court of Appeals decision in the case of *Tennessee Cable Television Association v. Tennessee Public Service Commission*, 844 S.W. 2d 155 (Tenn. App. 1992)
4. Whether Contract Service Arrangements may be approved by the Authority contingent upon the conclusion of this docket and subject to abrogation or modification based upon the decision of the Authority in this docket

A Pre-Hearing Conference will be held in the above-captioned proceeding on **Thursday, June 24, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Hearing Room on the Ground Floor at 460 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee. The Pre-Hearing Conference will be conducted pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-306, before General Counsel Richard Collier as the Pre-Hearing Officer. This Pre-Hearing Conference is being scheduled for the purposes of:

1. Consideration of Briefs filed by the parties
2. Consideration of issues to be addressed in this proceeding
3. Setting a procedural schedule to completion

Any motion to change the date of this Hearing must be made in writing, and filed with the Office of the Executive Secretary of the Authority. Copies of the motion must be served on all parties. All parties are entitled to be represented by counsel.

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FOR THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY


K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary

cc: Parties to this Docket